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In re Application of :

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Examiner: Joseph R. Kosackl

Serial No.: 10/519,356

Group Art Unit: 1626

Filed: December 28, 2004

Title: 2-(PHENYL)-2H.PYRAZOLE-3-CARBOXYLIC ACID-N-4-(THIOXO-HETEROCYCLYL)-PHENYL-AMIDE DERIVATIVES AND CORRESPONDING IMINO-HETEROCYCLYL DERIVATIVES AND RELATED COMPOUNDS FOR USE AS INHIBITORS OF THE COAGULATION FACTORS XA AND/OR VIIA FOR TREATING THROMBOSES

ELECTION AND AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: In response to the Office Action of January 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.

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search would therefore comprise overlapping subject matter, and would not impose an undue search burden on the Examiner. Applicants thus also traverse the Restriction Requirement on the basis that the Examiner has not established that examining all of the claims in the application would constitute a serious burden.

As for Groups VII-IX, these Groups are directed to processes for making compounds of Formula I, including compounds of Groups I-VI, methods of using same, and means designed for use with said compounds. These constitute part of the same invention as Groups I-VI. See §(e) of Annex B.

In view of the above remarks, withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

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U.S. NATIONAL STAGE FEES		
BASIC FEE	SMALL ENT. = \$ 150	LARGE ENT. = \$ 300
EXAMINATION FEE	Satisfies PCT Article 39(1) (4) = \$ 50 / \$ 100	All other situations = \$ 100 / \$ 200
SEARCH FEE	U.S. & ISA = \$ 50 / \$ 100 All other countries = \$ 200 / \$ 400	All other situations = \$ 250 / \$ 600
FEES FOR EXTRA SPEC. PGS.	minus 100 =	/ 50 =
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	33 minus 20 =	13
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 minus 3 =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

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SMALL ENTITY TYPE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
RATE	Fee	RATE
BASIC FEE		OR BASIC FEE
EXAM. FEE		EXAM. FEE
SEARCH FEE		SEARCH FEE
X \$ 125 =		X \$ 250 =
X \$ 25 =		OR X \$ 50 =
X \$ 100 =		OR X \$ 200 =
+ \$ 180 =		OR + \$ 360 =
TOTAL		OR TOTAL

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	33	Minus	** 33 =
Independent	1	Minus	*** 3 =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

SMALL ENTITY	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE
X \$ 25 =		OR X \$ 50 =
X \$ 100 =		OR X \$ 200 =
+ \$ 180 =		OR + \$ 360 =
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE

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	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	44	Minus	** 33 = 11
Independent	1	Minus	*** 7 = 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ 25 =		OR X \$ 50 =	550
X \$ 100 =		OR X \$ 200 =	
+ \$ 180 =		OR + \$ 360 =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	550

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